SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That 4 new sections be and they are hereby added to the Code of Public Local Laws of Allegany County (1955 Edition), being Article 1 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Allegany County", sub-title "Fire Companies", said new sections to be known as Sections 148A to 148D, inclusive, to follow immediately after Section 148 of said Article, to be under the new sub-heading "LaVale Fire Area", and to read as follows:

148A. For the purpose of providing funds with which to maintain and operate a fire department within certain parts of Allegany County, there is hereby created a special fire area, to be known as the LaVale Fire Area which shall comprise the following described land in parts of Election Districts Nos. 29, 5 and 6 in said county, particularly designated and described and lying and being in the bounds, courses and distances as follows:

Beginning at the top of Will's Mountain 9/10ths of a mile Northeast of the two-mile post of the National Road, on the fourth line of District No. 5, and at the end of the first line of District No. 20, and running thence with the lines of District No. 20 Westerly one mile crossing the Cumberland and Pennsylvania Railraod Bridge (now the Western Maryland Railroad) over Will's Creek above the paper mill to the Western Maryland Railroad, then up the last named Western Maryland Railroad about five miles to line of the crest of Piney Mountain, due South of Barrellsville, it being the Easterly line of Mt. Savage, District No. 13, then Southerly four miles following the crest of the said mountain and with Districts 13 and 24 to the National Road at the junction of the road leading to the tunnel in the Eckhart Branch of the Cumberland and Pennsylvania Railroad (now the Western Maryland Railroad) about 3/4 of a mile West of the six-mile post, thence with the said road Southwesterly about 1-1/3 miles to the top of Dan's Mountain and the Potomac Edison Company Lake Lynn Electric Line, thence with the said electric power line Easterly about 2-1/5 miles across District No. 29, the said power line crosses the Winchester Road about 450 feet South of the Western Maryland Railroad Bridge, thence with the East boundary of District No. 29 and the top of Haystack Mountain to a point 1000 feet South of the Braddock Road, thence parallel with and 1000 feet South of the Braddock Road Easterly about 3/5 of a mile to the Southwest city limits of Cumberland, thence with the city limits of Cumberland in a Northwest direction about 2000 feet, then with the Northwest limits of Cumberland about 1-6/10 miles to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad at the base of the cliffs in the Narrows, thence with the said Western Maryland Railroad about 1/2 mile Northwesterly to the said East boundary of District No. 29, thence with the said East boundary Northerly about 2000 feet to the beginning.

148B. (a). The County Commissioners of Allegany County are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to levy annually against all the assessable real property within the above described area, a tax sufficient, but not to exceed ten cents on each \$100.00 of assessable real property, to pay the annual requirements of expenditures necessary to maintain and operate the LaVale Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated, its successor or successors, including payment of encumbrances on real estate or equipment owned by said LaVale Volun-